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REMARKS

The applicant respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following remarks. Support for amended claim 1 can be found in the specification at page 8 lines 26-35.

Claims 1-6, 8, and 9 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, because the specification, while being enabling for specific bis(halomethyl)arylenes and compounds of formula I, does not reasonably provide enablement for the broad genuses claimed. The applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. However, in order to expedite prosecution, the applicant has amended the claims.

The applicant believes that the claims as amended are in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. As a consequence of the above- amendment, new claim 1 no longer encompasses compounds having unsubstituted arylene groups (see page 3, paragraph B of the Office Action). For the above reasons, this rejection should be withdrawn.

In view of the above response, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due in connection with the filing of this response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-2775 under Order No. 14113-00028-US, from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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